GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:869
ANSWERED ON:22.11.2007
ENCROACHMENT ON RAILWAY LAND
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is large scale encroachment on railway land in the country;

(b) if so, the number of encroachers penalized and evicted during the last three years, zone-wise;

(c) whether some officials were found guilty of dereliction of duty in dealing with encroachments;

(d) if so, the details thereof during the last three years; and

(e) the action taken against them?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a): No, Sir. As on 31.03.07, out of total land holding of approximately 4.31 lakh hectare, only about 1910 hectare of Railway land is under encroachment.

(b): Zone-wise details are as given in statement attached.

(c) to (e): During the last three years ending 31.03.07, one Senior Section Engineer (Works) was found guilty of dereliction of duty in dealing with encroachments. He has been penalized with stoppage of annual increment.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.869 BY SHRI M. APPADURAI AND PROF. MAHADEORAO SHIWANKAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 22.11.2007 REGARDING ENCROACHMENT ON RAILWAY LAND

(b): The zone-wise details of encroachers penalized and evicted from Railway land during the last three years ending 31.03.07, is as given below:

ZONES	NUMBER OF ENCROACHERS PENALISED/EVICTED
Central	18525
Eastern	15826
East Central	976
East Coast	75
Northern	1903
North Central	34
North Eastern	45
Northeast Frontier	3160
North Western	113
Southern	1575
South Central	2549
South Eastern	2004
Southeast Central	1735
South Western	203
Western	8452
West Central	210
Total	57385